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New Rule Called 'Firmest Step'

Mid-School Signings Banned

Accord Could Lead To Non-Raiding Pact

By ABE CHANIN
Collegiate Baseball Editor

The firmest step ever taken towards an overall rule for the non-raiding of collegiate baseball players is the way officials of the American Assn. of College Baseball describe pro baseball's amended Rule 3K.

The new rule, adopted by both the major and minor leagues at winter meetings, resulted from conferences of the major league College Committee and a special committee of the National Collegiate Athletic Assn.

In brief the rule calls for professional baseball not to sign collegiate players during the academic year.

AACBC officials have voiced their feeling that while amended Rule 3K is not the answer college baseball seeks, it is a step towards a full non-raiding agreement.

J. Orlean Christian, AACBC president and member of the NCAA committee which met with the professional committee, said this of the rule: "This is the firmest step towards a strong, overall rule that has ever been taken. The rule, of course, is far short of what the colleges wanted and far short, too, of what the pros wanted."

"But we feel a step has been taken in the right direction and that before long a proper rule will be approved by the pros."

Christian said the baseball coaches should now aim at getting NCAA approval of summer baseball.

"A good, workable, summer program is going to give us complete protection of our players for 4 years if and when we can get such a program," the Connecticut coach declared.

"The present summer rule," Christy continued, "has some major weaknesses in that it is almost impossible for a boy to go out and play summer baseball, abide by the rule and save any money during the summer. There has been a lot of work by the summer baseball committee of the NCAA and changes will be presented at this convention to improve the summer rule."

Everett D. Barnes, of Colgate, also a committee member and a veteran of many years of arbiting with the pros for both the NCAA and the AACBC, had this to say: "It is hoped that our association will not be content only to have such legislation and amendments passed, but will use them as stepping stones toward an improved agreement that will provide protection for the college baseball player from the time he matriculates as a freshman until he or his class graduates."

Father Glavin of Holy Cross was chairman of the NCAA committee that included Christian,

DICK SIEBERT

1960 "COACH OF THE YEAR"

1960 WAS HIS 13TH YEAR AS HEAD COACH OF UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA BASEBALL AND IT WAS ONE OF HIS GREATEST...

SIEBERT COACHED HIS GOPHERS TO THE NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP IN A GREAT DUEL WITH USC'S TROJANS IN THE LONG-TO-BE-REMEMBERED 1960 COLLEGE WORLD SERIES THAT SAW THE TOURNEY DELAYED BY ALMOST DAILY RAIN...



SIEBERT ALSO COACHED MINNESOTA TO THE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP IN 1956 DEFEATING ARIZONA IN THE FINALS...

HE'S A GRADUATE OF CONCORDIA JUNIOR COLLEGE AND CONCORDIA SEMINARY IN ST. LOUIS. HE HAD INTENDED TO BECOME A LUTHERAN MINISTER BUT WAS BITTEN BY THE BASEBALL BUG...

IN THE MAJOR LEAGUES HE PLAYED FOR THE ST. LOUIS CARDS AND PHILADELPHIA ATHLETICS. HE WAS THE A'S REGULAR FIRST BASEMAN UNTIL 1945. HE PLAYED IN THE 1942 ALL-STAR GAME AND HAD A .290 LIFETIME BATTING AVERAGE IN THE MAJORS.



Barnes, Dick Siebert of the University of Minnesota and James F. Weaver, commissioner of the Southern Conference.

The professional committee was chaired by Lee McPhail of Baltimore and included William O. DeWitt, Detroit; Charles Feeney, San Francisco; John Quinn of Philadelphia; and the minor league representatives, George Trautman, president of the National Assn. of Professional Baseball, Bob Howsam of Denver and Mel Jones of Minneapolis.

"We received many fine compliments from the pros," Christian told COLLEGIATE BASEBALL. "John Quinn of Philadelphia told us this was the finest meeting ever held with the colleges. He said it was very educational. We all left the meeting on Aug. 31 in New York with cordial feelings."

"It is my opinion that if some minor adjustments are made in the colleges' summer program we will soon have a solid 4-year agreement."

(For rule in its entirety, see Page 6.)

Collegiate Baseball's Greatest Year!

This issue marks the fourth year of publication of COLLEGIATE BASEBALL — the national newspaper of college baseball.

College baseball's first and only newspaper has won plaudits from coast-to-coast for its special features, columns, photo highlights, scores and statistics. Small and major college and junior colleges all are covered in the fast-growing collegiate sport.

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8 Coaches Get 25-Year Awards

PITTSBURGH — Eight coaches will be honored with "25 Year Coaching Awards" at the annual banquet of the American Assn. of College Baseball Coaches here Sunday.

The coaches to be honored for their long service to the sport are:

George Donges, Ashland College.

William (Dutch) Fehring, Stanford University.

James Freeman, Ithaca College.

Toby Greene, Oklahoma State.

Glenn (Abe) Martin, Southern Illinois.

Ira R. Herr, Elizabethtown College.

Dr. John Heldman, University of Louisville.

Max Molock, St. Mary's Minn.

Special 1961 AACBC Convention Issue

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Cardinals Put 5 1960 Collegians On Spring List

TUCSON—What's happened to the collegiate stars of 1960?

COLLEGIATE BASEBALL asked that question of every major league team and beginning with this issue, will answer the question team-by-team.

Not all clubs have responded to the query, but by the time spring training rolls around, CB hopes to have covered them all.

In 1960, the St. Louis Cardinals signed 20 collegiate players, some of them well known and some of them not so well known. When the Cards open spring training, 5 of the youngsters will be on the big team's roster.

Here's what the new pros did last season:

Norman C. Anderson: A left-handed pitcher from Lehigh, Anderson won 6, lost 4 and had an earned run average of 1.68 with Tulsa in the Class AA Texas League. He's assigned to the Cards for 1961.

Douglas H. Clemens: An outfielder from Syracuse University, he started off with Billings of the Class C Pioneer League and was brought up to the Cards at the end of the season. At Billings, he hit .389 (4 homers and 23 RBI). He'll be with the parent club in spring training.

Gary A. Kolb: A bonus baby outfielder from the University of Illinois, he hit .313 (4 homers, 32 RBI at Keokuk (Class D Midwest League); and .237 (4 homers 19 RBI) with Class B Winston-Salem in the Carolina League. He appeared in several games as a runner with the Cards and is assigned to their roster in 1961.

Olat W. Stark: A southpaw pitcher from Santa Ana College, he won 12, lost 11 and had a 3.77

ERA with Tulsa of the Class AA Texas League. He, too, will be with St. Louis for spring training.

Ray C. Washburn: Whitworth's fine righthander was 5-4 (4.45 ERA) with Rochester in the Class AA International League. He's on the Card roster.

Johnny G. Autry: An infielder from Piedmont College, he hit .181 (3 homers, 20 RBI) with Daytona Beach in the Class D Florida State League. He's assigned to Keokuk.

James J. Craig: A southpaw from Temple, he won 2, lost 7 and had a 4.89 ERA with Winston-Salem. He's on the Miami (International League) roster.

Robert W. Dews: An infielder from Georgia Institute of Technology, he hit .271 (1 homer, 29 RBI) with Daytona Beach. He's on the Miami roster.

Larry Fegley: Penn State's All-America second baseman hit .252 (3 homers, 27 RBI) for Daytona Beach. He'll be assigned to Keokuk.

Charlie H. Garris: An outfielder from Louisiana Tech, he hit .238 (8 homers, 28 RBI) with Dothan in the Class D Alabama-Florida League and was with Memphis for 2 games. He's on the Memphis roster.

Elwood B. Hahn: A southpaw from Washington State, he won

10, lost 9 (4.35 ERA) with Billings. He's now on the Winston-Salem roster.

Jerald T. Henderson: A southpaw from the University of Arkansas, he was 0-2, 8.94 ERA at Winnipeg in the Class C Northern League and was 2-1 at Keokuk. He's assigned to the Miami roster.

John B. Jones: The 1959 NCAA batting champ from St. Louis University hit .294 at Billings and .278 in a longer stint at Keokuk. He's assigned to Winnipeg.

William J. Kesack: A University of Pennsylvania infielder, he hit .186 (1 homer, 18 RBI) at Daytona Beach. He's assigned to Keokuk.

Wilfrid H. LeFebvre: An Ithaca College infielder, he hit .247 (3

homers, 25 RBI) at Billings, is assigned to Miami.

Frank E. McAninch: A right-hander from Florida State, he was 0-1 at Daytona Beach, is assigned to Keokuk.

Charles D. Maxvill: A Washington University infielder, he hit .257 at Winnipeg, had 9 homers, 48 RBI. He's assigned to Miami.

Francis C. Newman: A LaSalle College southpaw, he was 2-0 (5.04 ERA) at Billings and will return there this year.

Robert K. Rickey: A University of Oklahoma infielder, he was .225 (4 homers, 33 RBI) at Billings and will be back in the Montana city.

Alan E. Elffie: A southpaw from Stetson, he pitched only 1 inning at Daytona Beach, is assigned to Keokuk.

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2ND BASE COACH

By J. F. McALE

This is the time of the year for new and heavy squawking from collegiate institutions that have come under NCAA displeasure for recruiting violations. It would be refreshing to have 1 victim (?) admit he was guilty. To date, all have claimed to be innocent of any wrong doing. It is our impression that all of these penalized schools might be compared to an iceberg, which is 10% above the water. To date, we haven't heard of any college coaches or other athletic officials insisting on proving their innocence by taking a polygraph test.

The number of schools having fall baseball practice is increasing each year. Western Michigan University for some years has had a baseball game between their



varsity and an alumni team made up of professional baseball players. This exhibition game, which ends the fall practice, has been a huge success and adds a few thousand dollars to the baseball fund.

Professional major leagues are getting larger, and the minors are shrinking. In 1962 we will have 20 major league teams. Commissioner Frick has reported that he wouldn't be surprised if there would be 24 teams in 1964. We assume he is referring to 3 different organizations.

We don't notice the minor leagues getting into orbit. At present only 1 of the 3 AAA organizations has better than a fair prospect of having more than 6 teams. The Pacific Coast League hopes to jump half an ocean in order to locate in Hawaii.

Naturally, the college coaches are asking, "Where are the players coming from?" The only other sources of talent will be high schools, free agents and the vanishing minors. BIG BASEBALL never bothers to answer this question, but possibly it is answered in part by a recent agreement between the minors and majors whereby they will not sign a college boy during the academic year — And here's the gimmick: unless the college kid becomes scholastically ineligible to compete.

From this corner we anticipate that each week from now on will be known as National Indigestion Week for college baseball coaches.

To the uninformed it sounds like a concession from BASEBALL to the colleges, which might lead in time to the restriction of signing any college baseball player until his class has graduated. This is the rule adhered to by pro football and basketball.

From this corner it appears that the college boy during the college year might drop out of school or deliberately flunk if he were offered a reasonable bonus. It has been said that only 10 people in the United States understood Einstein. That's a few more than understand professional baseball.

Fall Ball Pioneers 'Move Forward'

By LARRY KENNEDY

NEW YORK—The fall baseball program in the metropolitan New York area made a great move forward in 1960 as 11 colleges fielded teams.

The fall season in New York runs from Sept. 15, the approximate date most colleges open, to Oct. 15, and the weather condition in New York this time of year is comparable to late May and early June—the time the collegiate baseball season ends.

While the degree of activity ranged from St. John's 9-game schedule to some institution's playing 1 or 2 practice and experimental type games, most of the coaches expressed great enthusiasm for the program, and all will return next year—some with more extensive scheduling,

and 2 or 3 schools fielding teams for the first time.

The 1 item that hyped the fall program more than anything else was the visit of the University of North Carolina Tarheels to the Met. area, Sept. 30 and Oct. 1 for a 3-game swing.

Coach Wally Rabb's Tarheels, defending Atlantic Coast Conference champions, edged Adelphi 4-3, in the bottom of the ninth on a 2-hit, 2-run, 2-out rally. That night, the Tarheels were guests of the N.Y. Yankees at a Yankee-Red Sox game and their presence was announced by Phil Rizzuto, Yankee sportscaster.

The following morning, the Tarheels bowed to St. John's 4-0, in a meeting of 2 NCAA District champions and College World Series representatives. In the

second game of the twin-bill the Carolinians slipped past Fordham, 5-4. More than any other single event, this trip north by Carolina focused attention on the fall program.

Iona College (New Rochelle, N.Y.) promoted a fall tourney that also aroused interest. The Gaels were rude hosts, dumping St. Peter's (N.J.) in the opening round, then defeating Siena (Troy, N.Y.) in the championship game, 10-2. St. Francis (Brooklyn) edged St. Peter's 5-3, for third place.

Al DiBernardo, the new City College coach, took his first crack at Fall baseball and liked what he saw. More than any impressive record, most coaches were satisfied with the opportunity to see the athletes perform at their peak. After a long summer of playing, the prospects were in good shape and gave the coaches an opportunity to appraise their performance without the usual

quirks that pop up in an indoor drill or cold weather practice session in March or April.

Besides the aforementioned schools, Fairleigh Dickinson (N.J.), Long Island University and Pace (New York City) also fielded teams. Pete Finnerty, coach and athletic director at Pace, used his fall sessions to implement and experiment with speed-up rules and substitution in key situations. This type of work was most helpful to the small colleges and enabled Pete and others to get a good line on their candidates for spring when weather conditions usually prevent a coach from picking his squad, much less his starting lineup, until 10 minutes before the season starts.

Locally, St. John's was the class of the area. The defending District 2 champions swept through a 9-game schedule unscathed. As a team they hit a healthy .281, compiled a fine .997

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PITTSBURGH — Minnesota's Dick Siebert has climbed to the top on both sides of the baseball fence.

As a professional, Siebert was an American League All-Star and in the amateur world, the Gopher coach is being honored this weekend as collegiate baseball's Coach-of-the-Year.

The personable Gopher mentor guided his club to its third straight Big 10 title last year and then took his boys through District 4 playoffs against Detroit, Notre Dame and Ohio to the collegiate championship.

And he brought Minnesota its second NCAA baseball crown during what some coaches might consider a jinx year—his 13th year as coach.

Few coaches in the collegiate baseball world today are better qualified for their work than the Gopher tutor. A graduate of St. Paul's Concordia High School, Siebert entered Concordia Junior College in 1928 and received a degree from there in 1930. He then attended Concordia Seminary in St. Louis.

But the baseball bug hit him hard in 1932 and he decided to give pro ball a full-time whirl. He had broken into organized pro baseball in the summer of 1929 with Waynesboro, Pa., and played with Scottsdale, Pa., in 1930. A bad arm kept him out of action during the summer of 1931. His aspirations then were to be a pitcher.

He spent 1932 at Dayton, Ohio, 1933 at Dayton and York, Pa., and 1934 at Albany and Dayton. In 1935 he became the property of Buffalo of the International League and was bought by Brooklyn. During the 1936 season Siebert was sold to Indianapolis of the American Assn., was drafted by the Chicago Cubs, and then was sold to the St. Louis Cardinals.

Siebert played with the Cards and Columbus, Ohio, in 1937. In 1938 he appeared with St. Louis, Columbus and the Philadelphia Athletics, remaining with the "A's" as their regular first baseman until 1945. During his stretch in the American League, Siebert played in the 1942 All-Star game and finished with a major league lifetime batting average of .290.

Because of unsatisfactory contract proposals, Siebert chose the opening of the 1946 season to quit professional baseball in favor of a position as sports announcer for radio station WTCN, Minneapolis and St. Paul. He was appointed to the Minnesota athletic staff in September, 1947.

Many Displays Planned During AACBC Session

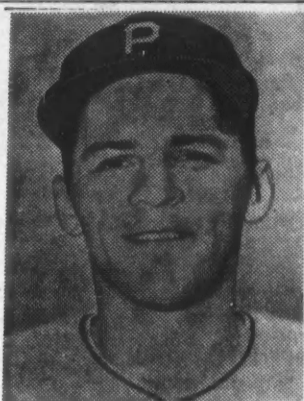
PITTSBURGH — Exhibitors at the 1961 AACBC convention will include the following:

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Pittsburgh Stars On Clinic

MVP Groat, Pitchers Friend, Face To Talk

PITTSBURGH — The 16th annual convention of the American Assn. of College Baseball Coaches opens in Pittsburgh's Hilton Hotel today and closes with the annual Coach-of-the-Year banquet which honors Dick Siebert of the University of Minnesota.

At the Coach-of-the-Year banquet, the great comedian, Joe E. Brown, will be guest speaker, along with Tom Dowd of the Boston Red Sox and the former football star and coach, Harry Stuhldreher.

Stuhldreher will present the Coach-of-the-Year award to Siebert, whose Minnesota Gophers swept to the College World Series championship in 1960.

The annual baseball coaches clinics will be held tomorrow and Sunday, and will feature many of the nation's outstanding coaches.

Three members of the World Champion Pittsburgh Pirates also will be on the clinic program. Dick Groat, the former collegiate All-American from Duke and 1960 National League Most Valuable Player, will speak on the double play combination Sunday morning. He will be followed by teammates Bob Friend and Roy Face talking on "pitching big league style."

Coaches featured on the 1960 clinics are Glen Daniel of Wyoming, leading a round table discussion; Cap Timm of Iowa State on catching; film on infield play by Ethan Allen of Yale; Otto Vogel of Iowa, Archie Allen of Springfield and Buck Lai of Long Island on indoor drills and early season training; Charlie Maher of Western Michigan on bunting; Dick Siebert of Minnesota on hitting; and Ernie Andres of Indiana on coaching the bases.

High school coaches from throughout the Pennsylvania and middle atlantic states area have been invited to attend the clinics and convention by Bob Lewis, convention chairman and head baseball coach at the University of Pittsburgh.

At the business meetings of the AACBC important convention reports will include the discussion of the new professional baseball rule; membership for junior college coaches; and the summer baseball rule.

Members of the clinic committee are Marty Karow, Ohio State, chairman; Bob Lewis, Pittsburgh; Cap Timm, Iowa State; William Arce, Claremont College; Jack Kaiser, St. John's; and Fred Lindstrom, Northwestern.

Average Team Plays 22 Games

HAMILTON, N.Y. — A survey reveals that the average college baseball team in 1960 played 22 games, it has been reported by Everett D. Barnes, chairman of the AACBC's professional baseball committee.

Barnes pointed out that collegiate varsity teams played more than 11,000 games last season.

CB Staffers Receiving Awards

Foust, Heiling Among Writing Winners

PITTSBURGH — A pair of COLLEGIATE BASEBALL correspondents will receive top writing awards during the American Assn. of College Baseball Coaches convention.

Tom Foust, assistant sports editor of the (Tucson) Arizona Daily Star, is being honored for having 1960's best feature in a paper of less than 50,000 circulation.

And Joe Heiling, Austin American-Statesman, is being lauded for writing the best news story in papers of the same circulation category.

Although their stories did not appear in CB, both are regular contributors to the paper. (CB stories are not eligible for the competition.)

A third CB staffer, Paul Moloney, sports editor of the Greeley, Colo., Tribune, was runner-up to Foust.

Big winners among papers with more than 50,000 circulation are John F. Steadman, sports editor of the Baltimore, Md., News-Post, features; and Louis Cox, Dallas Times-Herald, straight news coverage.

Other writers being honored: Feature story (50,000 and over) — Herb Finnegan, Boston American. Straight news (50,000 and over) — Joe Tiede, Raleigh News & Observer, and Bob Dellinger, Oklahoma City Daily Oklahoman.

Feature story (less than 50,000) — Wayne Shaw, Boone, Ia., News-Republican.

News story (less than 50,000) — Ed Gallardo, Arizona Daily Star. Top photographer is Dick Wisdom of the Arizona Daily Star. Honorable mentions will go to Curtis L. Barnes Jr., Rochester Times-Union; Roy Robinson, San Diego Evening Tribune; and Jack Tinney, Philadelphia Bulletin.

The first prize winners will receive \$100 checks.

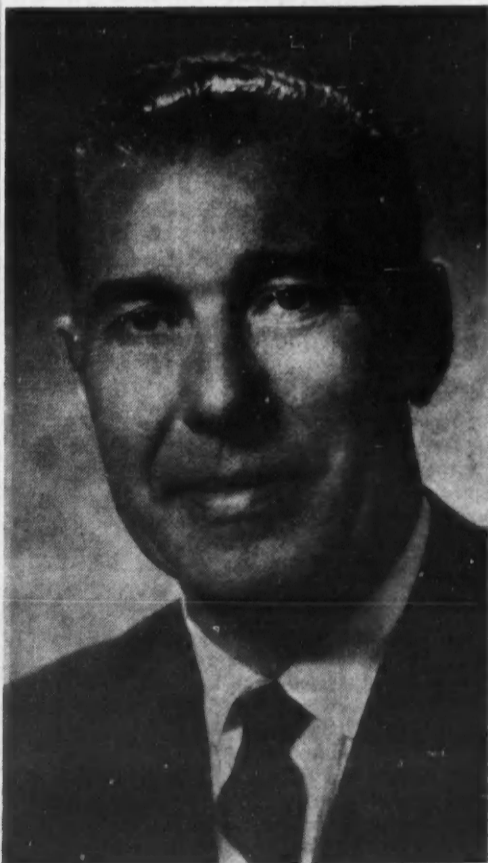
1961 Coaching Clinics

SATURDAY

- 9:00 - 9:30 A.M. — World Series Film
- 9:30 - 10:30 A.M. — Round Table Discussion — Glen R. Daniel, University of Wyoming
- 10:30 - 10:40 A.M. — Coke Break
- 10:40 - 11:40 A.M. — Coaching the College Catchers — Cap Timm, Iowa State University
- 11:40 - 12:10 P.M. — Film on Infield Play — Ethan Allen, Yale University
- 12:10 - 1:30 P.M. — Lunch
- 1:30 - 2:45 P.M. — Indoor Drill and Early Season Training — Otto Vogel, Archie Allen, Bill Lai
- 2:45 - 3:45 P.M. — Buntline Game — Charles Maher, Western Michigan University
- 3:45 - 4:00 P.M. — Coke Break
- 4:00 - 5:00 P.M. — Coaching the College Hitters — Dick Siebert, University of Minnesota

SUNDAY

- 9:15 - 10:00 A.M. — Coaching the Bases — Ernie Andres, Indiana University
- 10:00 - 11:00 A.M. — Double Play Combination — Dick Groat, Pittsburgh Pirates
- 11:00 - 11:10 A.M. — Coke Break
- 11:10 - 12:15 A.M. — Pitching Big League Style — Bob Friend and Roy Face, Pittsburgh Pirates



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Editorial Comment

Collegiate Position Improving

There is a new appreciation of the position of college baseball by the men behind professional baseball today.

The minor leagues signalled this when they passed legislation to ban the signing of collegiate players during the academic year.

The major leagues also indicated their readiness to reach a final agreement by passing similar legislation.

And THE SPORTING NEWS, the bible of professional baseball, added more strength to the new appreciation of college baseball in an editorial which said:

"Among the pieces of legislation approved by the majors at their meeting in St. Louis was one concerning the signing of college players. They voted to permit the signing of players only during vacation periods and not to trouble them during the school year.

"No matter how one approaches this same problem, it should be noted that this is a first step in settling a long and fretful issue. It is only a first step and a timid and halting one at most.

"This will take some pressure off coaches,

but will not solve the problem. Probably for good and sufficient reasons, baseball long has refused to accept the same rule with which football and basketball live—that a college player cannot be signed until his original class is graduated.

"Football and basketball have found this to be a good rule. We still believe baseball can do the same . . . we suggest that the majors and minors study further how to make the next step. Good relations should be maintained with the colleges. They may become a vital necessity in the game if minor leagues, the sources of talent, keep evaporating."

Thus THE SPORTING NEWS has messaged to pro baseball the salient point that there is little sense to chopping off the one vital source of talent remaining—the colleges. Minor league baseball is now at an all time low. More than 200 minor league teams have been allowed to pass out of existence since 1949. If the majors weren't concerned in keeping the minors alive, they now must, as THE SPORTING NEWS points out, maintain good relations with the colleges.

The Press Box

65,000 See Japanese Playoff!

By ABE CHANIN

GLOBAL COLLEGE WORLD SERIES—

Here's something to think about: When Waseda and Keio Universities played off for the collegiate baseball championship of Japan each of the 2 games drew 65,000 fans into the Meiji Shrine Ball Park!

The attendance at a single Japanese collegiate championship game is double that of the entire College World Series at Omaha.

How would you like to see the American collegiate baseball champion playoff against the Japanese champion each summer in Tokyo?

RAID ON THE ILLINI—The University of Illinois now has lost 5 underclassmen to professional baseball in the last 3 years. Illini football coaches are as irked as the baseball staff for all 5 were also grid performers.

The latest to sign is Ethan Blackaby, junior class outfielder and football halfback, who picked up a reported \$50,000 to sign with Milwaukee. Other football-baseballers to sign from Illini in the last 3 years were Tom Haller with San Francisco; Chuck Green with Philadelphia; Jim Hicks with the Chicago White Sox; and Gary Kolb with the St. Louis Cardinals.

After the signing of Blackaby, Illinois Football Coach Pete Elliott gave the stock reply of collegiate baseball coaches: "When you have an opportunity to get that kind of money, you can't turn it down."

IRISH ON THE PROWL—When Notre Dame makes its first baseball swing through the west to play in California and Arizona, the Irish will be doing a great service for college baseball.

One of the current weaknesses of the sport is the lack of intersectional play except in early spring trips or during the College World Series.

We hope other teams will take the cue from the Irish and schedule cross-country trips.

Correspondent's Corner

Writers' Group Has Giant Task

By BOB KELLY
President, NCBWA

The National Collegiate Baseball Writers Assn., formed last June at Omaha, should be more successful than any of the other allied groups of scribes. College baseball simply needs so much more than did either football or basketball.

The idea for the group was conceived by a handful of men, including the publisher and editor of this paper. The organization was put into being by only a slightly larger number of news media workers and publicity men at Omaha to cover the NCAA finals.

But the first step was taken and it appears the association is meeting with an interested response across the nation. The greatest contributor thus far has been Bob Culp, sports publicity director at Western Michigan University, the group's first secretary-treasurer.

In the NCBWA's infancy, Culp has produced its symbol for reproduction on membership cards, stationary and lapel buttons; drawn up plans for the group's constitution; induced almost 200 men to join at the collegiate football all-star game at Chicago; and in general has been the guiding force.

They will prove a boon to collegiate baseball.

SUMMER BALL—The Big 10 Conference has tentative plans for the inauguration of a summer baseball schedule in 1962.

Other areas also are considering summer baseball and in the New York metropolitan area a very successful fall program has become a standing fixture.

Summer and fall baseball appear to be the best answers for the midwestern and eastern areas where weather hangs a curtain over playing schedules. Out west, most teams play 35 games or more and the value of playing regularly is proven in the domination of the College World Series by western teams.

All collegiate coaches want longer schedules, but they can't fight the weather. With summer baseball, the Big 10 could show the way nationally for college baseball.

FRED LINDSTROM, the former major league star of the Giants, let off a sharp blast after the Chicago White Sox had signed his junior outfielder, Dennis Lundgren, only a few hours before pro ball had put into effect its new rule banning the signing of collegians during the academic year.

"There is only 1 way for the majors to keep colleges as a training ground for material," Lindstrom told Edgar Munzel, Chicago sports writer, "and that is to adopt the draft system of professional football. Under that setup, a player can't sign a pro contract until his class has graduated."

A FORMER collegiate and Giants' star—and teammate of Fred Lindstrom's—died in Phoenix in December.

Art Nehf, former Giant pitching great, died after a long bout with cancer. Art went to the majors from Rose Poly College in Indiana and was a life-long friend of college baseball.

The NCBWA has many goals, but the betterment of collegiate baseball is paramount. All others are means to that end. The executive committee, composed of a representative of each NCAA district, is conducting a membership drive and will also handle statistical material from their respective areas.

The development of better and faster statistical material; improved working conditions for the press; better handling of press releases on the World Series and All-America teams; and a place in the sun for college baseball are the immediate aims of the group.

The NCAA convention in Pittsburgh in January will see the group meet for the second time and efforts will be made to put the NCBWA on its feet at that time.

The NCAA, through its assistant executive director, Wayne Duke, enabled the organization to get off the floor and Duke stands ready to aid it along the way. Members will be responsible, for the most part, for sectional articles in the NCAA Baseball Guide.

Only the complete cooperation—and membership—by all newsmen interested in college baseball and ALL college publicity directors can insure the success of this founding.

Blanket Padding Aids Ball State's Winter Practice

(Editor's Note: Ball State Coach Ray Louthen is a 1950 graduate of Western Michigan University. He played collegiate ball there and also at the University of Michigan. During his 1945 MU season, he won 12 straight games. He took a fling at professional ball in the New York Yankee chain, then became coach at Central High School in Flint, Mich., before taking over at Ball State in 1958. He was named Indiana Collegiate Conference "Coach of the Year" in 1960.)

By RAY LOUTHEN

Baseball Coach, Ball State Teachers College

It has become increasingly difficult for colleges in the midwest and northern states without field houses to get their baseball squads off to a decent start in the spring.

Many schools are playing early games in the southern and western states or practicing in large field houses. Therefore, schools without these advantages must do a great deal of improvising in their practice techniques if they are to compete.

At Ball State we teach most of our sliding on our gymnasium floor by using heavy Army-type blankets. We also try to incorporate our defensive infield drills with the sliding practice. We begin by sprinkling dance floor wax on the end of the basketball court in order to cut down on friction. Usually, we pile about 3 blankets on top of each other to prevent bruises.

Our men are then taught the proper fundamentals of sliding in slow motion on these blankets. After they have mastered the basic techniques, we instruct them to run slowly and slide as they would in an outdoor pit. When they have gained the necessary confidence to hit the blanket properly, we then allow them to run full speed at a thin base which has been placed on the blankets.

If the proper techniques of the slide are used, the man will glide gracefully with the blankets and little friction will occur. To protect against floor burns when improper slides occur, we outfit our men in basketball foam rubber knee guards, regular sliding shorts, and heavy sweat suits.

After the sliding techniques are perfected, we incorporate sliding into our defensive infield drills. By setting up a makeshift diamond on the gym floor and putting the blankets at second base, we are ready to begin. We place our entire defensive infield in position including the pitcher, catcher, and runner at first. From this set-up procedure we can work on the pitcher holding the runner on first base, foot position by the first baseman and lead-off practice by the runner.

After the pitcher throws to the plate, the runner steals; consequently we get practice in throwing by the catcher, tagging and defensive position by the shortstop and second baseman. Naturally, the runner slides on the blankets at second which provides him practice opportunity in avoiding the tag. This drill can be carried even further by putting a runner at third and working on cut-off or double steal situations.



RAY LOUTHEN

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Texas Lutheran College

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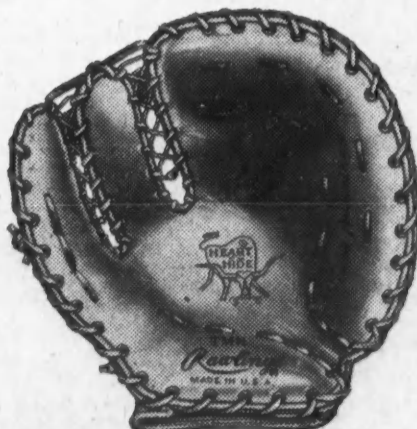
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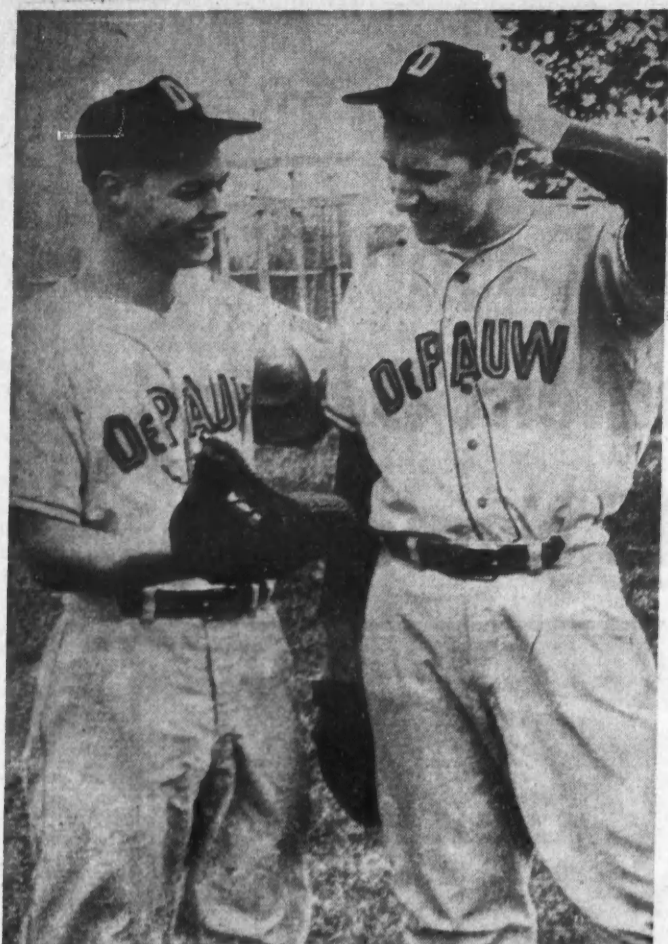
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Sooner Vetoes Cincinnati Offer

NORMAN, Okla.—George Kernek, Oklahoma's left-handed basketball guard, has turned down a lucrative offer from the Cincinnati Reds baseball team to stay in school. Kernek is seeking a degree in business management.

In his sophomore baseball sea-

son here, Kernek hit .297, led in runs batted in with 27, finished second in home runs with 5 and fielded well.

Kernek and Paul Mersch of Oklahoma State received the same number of votes for the first base job on the all-Big 8 team.

Ohio State May Block Minnesota Title Repeat

Ohio, WMU Battle For Mid-Am Flag

By BOB CULP

KALAMAZOO, Mich.—Minnesota, defending NCAA baseball champion, will have to beat out several potent Big 10 teams to repeat as the league's representative in District 4 this season.

Minnesota won the district tourney last year and went on to take the 1960 crown in the World Series at Omaha, its second such title (the Gophers also won in 1956).

Dick Siebert's Gophers posted a 12-2-1 mark to take the Big 10 crown in 1960, their third successive league title. In the previous 2 seasons, the Gophers lost out in the districts to tough Western Michigan which went on to finish third and fifth respectively in the finals.

Minnesota added a 3-0 mark in district play and was 5-1 in the World Series and posted a 37-7-1 overall count in 1960. Siebert lost Dick Erickson, the World Series' most valuable player, through graduation. Erickson is now in the Minneapolis Twins' chain and is considered a top second base prospect.

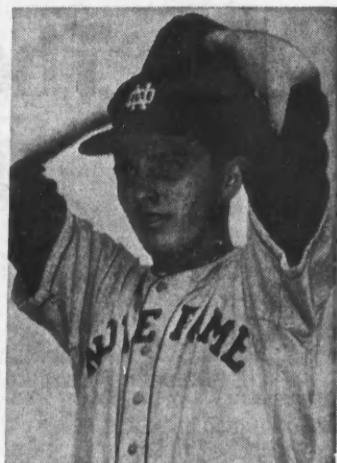
Minnesota also lost Outfielder-first baseman Tom Moe, Catcher Neil Junker, Shortstop Dave Pfelepen and Pitcher-outfielder Howard Nathe. Top Minnesotans returning are hurlers Jim Rantz, Clyde Nelson, and Larry Bertelsen (consistently a winner last season).

Ohio State is expected to dethrone the Gophers for the Big 10 crown. The Buckeyes, under veteran coach Marty Karow, have top hitting back.

Top players back are All-American Outfielder Tom Perdue, No. 1 league hitter at .469 as a sophomore last season; Ray Apple, .344 hitting third baseman who was second team All-American; Shortstop Jim Herbstreit; Outfielder John Thomas; and Catch-



TOM PERDUE



NICK PALIHNICH

er Walt Peters. The Buckeyes were second in the league in 1960.

Other Big 10 teams which could take the crown include Northwestern or Michigan. Both are rebuilding but have several top players returning.

Elsewhere in the district, Ohio University will probably battle Western Michigan University for the Mid-American title.

The Broncos, woefully weak in pitching last year, look for a much-improved season as they tackle their most ambitious season in history under Coach Charlie Maher.

Ohio will, however, reign as favorite to repeat over the Broncos because of strong pitching and veteran material on hand. Ohio lost Third sacker Dale Bandy by graduation. Also gone are Shortstop Bob Maver, Second Baseman Gary Wade and Left fielder Rudy Kalfas. The rest are back, including all pitchers—Jack Crew, Tom Kochendorfer, Ed Pentecost and Ted Stute.

Western Michigan has regained lefty hurler Bill Ortleib plus a host of great sophomore talent.

Other Mid-American Conference teams which might show as title potential are Bowling Green and Kent State.

Top independents are again Notre Dame and Detroit. The Irish, under Coach Clarence J. (Jake) Kline return a veteran pitching staff headed by seniors Nick Palihnich, a third string All-American, and Jack Mitchell. They also return a veteran infield and outfield, except at first base where John Carretta has graduated.

Detroit, under Coach Lloyd Brazil, posted an 18-4 mark last season and finished second to Minnesota in last year's district tourney. The Titans return top hurlers Dave DeBusschere and Gary Mettie. Gone is power-hitter Bruce Maher, a catcher-outfielder, and Infielder Dick Daguanno.

Wittenberg of the Ohio Conference, Valparaiso of the Indiana Intercollegiate Conference and St. John's of Minnesota must also be considered dark horses for the independent berths with Notre Dame and Detroit.

Complete Text Of College Player Rule

Here is the complete text of the new rule adopted by both the minor and major leagues. The provision now protects colleges from having baseball players signed during the academic year, except when there is a scholastic deficiency.

COLLEGE PLAYER RULE

(1) WHO MAY AND MAY NOT BE SIGNED. No player who is a member (or, if a freshman, a prospective member) of a baseball team which represents a college in intercollegiate competition may be signed by a Major League or National Association club during the period commencing with the date he

commences the scholastic year as a freshman and ending with the graduation of the class with which he originally entered college; provided, however, that this prohibition shall not apply in summer vacation periods. (Summer vacation periods shall be interpreted as starting the day after the termination of the player's final scholastic examinations or close of the player's college baseball season, whichever is later, and closing the day before his opening class of the fall semester.)

Definition of "College." For the purpose of this rule the word "College" shall mean any university or other institution of higher education located in the continental United States, including but not limited to, all

members of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, which confers degrees upon students following completion of sufficient credit hours to equal a four-year course, provided the college is represented by a baseball team which participates in intercollegiate competition.

(2) EXCEPTIONS. This rule shall not apply:

(a) To any player who has attained his 21st birthday;

(b) To any player who has completed the full period of eligibility for intercollegiate athletics in effect at his college;

(c) To any player whose association with his college has been terminated by reason of a scholastic deficiency.

Procedure. A college player who is qualified to sign a contract under (a) or (b) above,

may do so without the permission of any baseball or college official. A college player who desires to sign a contract by reason of qualifying under the exception set forth in (c) above, shall make written application to the Commissioner (if he desires to sign a National Association contract), setting forth the details of his case and requesting that he be authorized to sign. Should the Commissioner or the President of the National Association decide that an exception is warranted, he shall so notify the player and all Major League and National Association clubs, specifying a date on and after which the player may be signed.

(3) WHEN CLUBS MAY TALK WITH STUDENT. Nothing herein shall be construed as prohibiting any Major League or National Association club, or the officers, agents or employees thereof from talking to any college player concerning a career in professional baseball and discussing the merits of his contracting, when eligible therefor, with any particular club; provided, however, that no discussions shall be conducted with players during practice sessions or during the progress of games.

(4) WHEN TRYOUTS PERMISSIBLE.

(a) During Vacation Periods. Tryouts of college players by Major League and National Association clubs may be conducted during the summer vacation periods falling between school years, without the permission of any college official or other restriction, providing the student receives no expense allowance or other payment in connection therewith.

(b) During School Year. No college player shall be tried out by any Major League or National Association club during the

school year. However, club officials and scouts shall have full right to observe players under intercollegiate competition, as they may desire.

(c) Participation in Summer Baseball. In pursuance of the principle that this rule seeks to protect the eligibility of college players during the college year and at the same time to afford such players every opportunity to develop for possible future professional play, the Major League-National Association College Player Committee is hereby empowered to act on behalf of professional baseball to: (1) survey and investigate the existence of and conditions in summer amateur baseball leagues available to college players; (2) cooperate with the National Collegiate Athletic Association or committees representing that body; and (3) recommend action or legislation to the Commissioner and President of the National Association, all with amateur baseball program for college age players in continental United States and Canada.

(5) CONTRACTS IN VIOLATION. Any contract made in violation of this rule shall be declared null and void and the offending club (and any affiliates of such club) shall be prohibited from signing the player for a period of three years from date of declaration of voidance of such contract. In addition, such club shall be fined \$1,000 by the Commissioner, if a Major League club, or \$500 by the President of the National Association, if a National Association club, and the official, scout or employee of the offending club who participated in the violation shall be subject to such penalty as the Commissioner or the President of the National Association, as the case may be, may impose.

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Olympics Still Minus Baseball

By EVERETT D. BARNES
Chairman AACBC Olympic
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HAMILTON, N.Y. — Baseball has been included in the past 4 quadrennial Pan-American Games. These games are admittedly the tryout and preparation for the Olympic Games which occur in the year following the Pan-American competition.

And yet, although we work and promote baseball for 4 years, when the climax is reached, this oldest and most widely recognized American sport is not invited to participate in the Olympics.

As a frustrating example of putting the cart before the horse, we are not included in the sports program of the 1964 Olympic Games to be held in Japan, but the Japanese have been successful in including a brand new sport—Judo. This means Japan went to bat in successfully sponsoring a sport in which they excel, while Americans have not fought hard enough for the inclusion of baseball.

Notre Dame To Tune Up In Far West

Irish Play Arizona, California Schools

BERKELEY — Notre Dame's initial baseball invasion of the state of California promises to highlight the 1961 collegiate diamond campaign hereabouts.

The Fighting Irish, coached by Clarence Kline, are scheduled to play 8 games in the Golden State, followed by a trio in Arizona.

University of California (Berkeley), and Fresno State College, like Notre Dame not infrequent qualifiers for the NCAA tournament, each will tangle with the Irish twice.

Notre Dame's Far Western schedule:

March 26 (Sun.) — California, Candlestick Park, 2 p.m.

March 28 (Tues.) — California, Edmonds Field, Sacramento, 8 p.m.

March 31 (Fri.) — Fresno State, 8 p.m.

April 1 (Sat.) — Fresno State, 2 p.m.

April 2 (Sun.) — Santa Clara, San Jose Municipal Stadium, 2 p.m.

April 3 (Mon.) — Southern California, Los Angeles, 3 p.m.

April 4 (Tues.) — UCLA, Westwood, 3 p.m.

April 5 (Wed.) — Loyola, Long Beach Municipal Stadium, 8 p.m.

April 6 (Thurs.) — Phoenix Jr. College, 8 p.m.

April 7 (Fri.) — Arizona, Tucson, 8 p.m.

April 8 (Sat.) — Arizona, Tucson, (2, day-night).

The opener with California in Candlestick Park will be the first for collegiate teams in the new home of the San Francisco Giants.

George Wolfman, the California coach, and the Notre Dame Alumni Assn. of Northern California, headquartered in San Francisco, arranged the tour, and are planning gala pre-game ceremonies for the opener, including the possible appearances of some Hollywood motion picture stars.

Slip Madigan, the onetime St. Mary's College football coach who retired to the construction business, was appointed general chairman of "Notre Dame Day," but that now is dependent on his recovery from his heart attack in early December.

Three other Notre Dame alumni, Bert Dunne, former baseball and football scribe and statistician; Judge Bernie Abrott; and Richard Swisher, a San Francisco attorney; are helping arrange the pre-game program.

Prices for the Candlestick game have been set at 50 cents for students, \$1 general admission, and \$1.50 for reserved seats. The "golden circle" boxes, holding 8 to 10 persons, are being sold for \$25.

California has won all 3 previous meetings with Notre Dame at South Bend. The Bears, including Sam Chapman, copped the opener on May 27, 1938, 4-0. On their 1941 tour, also under Clint Evans, they prevailed 5-4 on May 30, and 8-6 the next day.

When we learned that baseball could not be made part of the formal program in the 1956 Games in Australia, an All-Service Team was selected to represent the United States in an exhibition baseball series. On this basis, it is interesting to note that 102,000 fans watched the games there. We reapplied for inclusion in the 1960 Games held in Italy. The application was denied.

Too many flimsy reasons have been advanced for rejecting baseball as an Olympic sport. First, it is said there is too much expense involved. The financial report of the Olympic Committee refutes this because it shows a large surplus, operations in the black and blue chip investments. Many of the games are played in far-flung reaches of the globe. Air flight today continues to shorten distances and, correspondingly, expenses. All teams use this means of transportation. Why can't baseball?

Avery Brundage, when he was the president of the U.S. Olympic Committee, stated there was not an amateur baseball player in the United States. This we know is not valid statement when the various levels of American baseball are considered. All baseball below the professional level is definitely amateur and as such is either supported by established organizations or becomes part of

tuition costs of educational institutions.

The United States is not represented on the International Baseball Federation. To permit participation in Pan American Games, the U.S. Olympic Committee has paid dues of \$25.00 which opens the door to our participation in these games.

It is strange that the country which created baseball is the only 1 without representation.

On September 20, 1960, a conference was held with Kenneth L. (Tug) Wilson, president of the U.S. Olympic Committee, in his Chicago office to urge the inclusion of baseball in the 1964 Olympic Games in Japan. We were informed that our application had been submitted to the International body meeting in Italy and had again been denied. President Wilson suggested that we continue our work in preparation for the 1963 Pan American Games, tentatively scheduled for Brazil, South America, and subsequently propose that a team be sent to the 1964 games on an exhibition basis. If we are successful in this venture, it should be used as a stepping stone for formal inclusion in the 1968 Olympics which may be held in the United States.

Exhibition baseball is a great possibility in Japan because of the tremendous enthusiasm of

that country for baseball. A series of exhibition games, scheduled in various locations there, would prove economically sound since paid attendance would underwrite the expenses of the United States team to Japan. We should also request, through the International Baseball Federation, that teams from other countries be urged to participate in the exhibition games.

To accomplish these objectives, it is necessary to place pressure on the U.S. Olympic Committee to the same extent that pressures are exerted on the International Olympic Committee. The International Federation of Baseball must join in this project.

It is time the AACBC took aggressive action and left no stone unturned to accomplish the ob-

jective of including baseball as an Olympic sport. We should encourage institutional, conference and public support to insure success. A public relations project should be started with newspapers, radio and television to the extent it takes on the form of a crusade. Success in this venture would mean that the AACBC had accomplished all of its objectives for the promotion of college baseball since its inception in 1945.

Hanna Sponsors Siebert Buffet

PITTSBURGH — The Hanna Manufacturing Co. of Athens, Ga., once again will sponsor the annual Coach-of-the-Year buffet during the 1961 convention of the American Assn. of College Baseball Coaches.

Hosts at the buffet will be Robert Hanna, president of the bat company, and his sales manager, John E. Broadnax.

On Sunday night at the annual AACBC banquet Dick Siebert of Minnesota, voted the collegiate Coach-of-the-Year for 1960, will be presented with the Hanna trophy. Siebert won the honor in a poll conducted late in the summer. Siebert's Minnesota team won the 1960 College World Series.

Milwaukee Signs Hofstra Infielder

MILWAUKEE — The Milwaukee Braves have signed 22-year-old Second baseman Gerard Rosenthal of Brooklyn, N.Y., to a 1961 contract with Cedar Rapids of the Class B 3-I League.

Rosenthal, a 5-11 175-pounder who bats and throws right, is a senior at Hofstra College. He will report to the Braves' minor league training camp at Waycross, Ga., in March.

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Arizona Faces Toughest Slate

TUCSON—Arizona's Wildcats, World Series entrants in 6 of the last 11 years, face their toughest schedule this year.

On tap for Frank Sancet's club is a 47-game slate, which includes 11 of the nation's top-ranked 46 teams of a year ago.

In fact, only 6 of the UA foes did not receive votes in COLLEGIATE BASEBALL's final top team poll of 1960.

Leading the list of opponents is Southern California, runner-up to national champion Minnesota. And not far behind is arch rival Arizona State University, which ranked seventh in the eyes of coaches throughout the nation.

Arizona also tangles with Pepperdine, No. 12, Notre Dame, No. 15, and Colorado State College, No. 20. Others on the schedule who received votes are Long Beach State, Los Angeles, Utah,

San Diego State, Fresno State and Sul Ross.

This will be Sancet's 12th year at the Arizona helm. All totaled, the silver-thatched mentor has posted a record of 368 wins, 98 defeats and 2 ties.

The 1961 schedule:

March 3—Long Beach State, here. 4—Long Beach State (2), here. 6—New Mexico, here. 9—10—Pepperdine, here. 11—Los Angeles State (2), here. 17—Colorado State College, here. 18—Colorado State College (2), here. 20-21-22-23—Utah, here. 24—San Diego State, here. 25—San Diego here. 27-28-29-30—Iowa, here.

April 1—Iowa (2), here. 3—Los Angeles State (2), there. 4—Southern California, there. 5—UCLA, there. 7—Notre Dame, (N), here. 8—Notre Dame (2, day-night), here. 14—Fresno State (N), here. 15—Fresno State (2, day-night), here. 17-18—Arizona State College, here. 21—Cal Poly of Pomona (N), here. 22—Cal Poly of Pomona, here. 23—Arizona State University (2, day-night), here.

May 6—Arizona State University, (2, day-night), there. 11-12—Sul Ross (both N), here. 19—New Mexico State (N), here. 20—New Mexico State, here.

'Special Air' Surrounds Sophomore Shortstops

Promising Collegians Sign Pacts

TUCSON—Two promising collegians have traded their eligibility for big professional bonus contracts in recent months.

Columbia sophomore Pitcher Howard Klitt, who posted a 0-3 record with his school's frosh last year, signed with the New York Yankees for \$65,000 in late November.

And West Virginia junior Second baseman Paul Popovich, who hit a sizzling .426 last season, put his signature on a \$42,000 Chicago Cub pact. Popovich was also a Mountaineer basketball.

Louisiana State Pitcher Wallace (Butch) Mixon, who won 11 and lost 7 in 2 years at LSU, also signed a bonus contract (the sum was not disclosed). He was picked up by the Houston franchise of the National League as its first bonus baby.

Pitcher Dick Holden, a San Jose State 20-year-old who sparkled in summer baseball competition, signed with the Milwaukee Braves.

Longhorns' Shirley Signs With Pros, Becomes Club's 3rd Loss In 10 Years

By JOE HEILING

AUSTIN, Tex.—There's an air of something special surrounding sophomore shortstops at the University of Texas.

Three times in the last 10 years, pro baseballers have presented a bundle of cash sufficient to entice a Longhorn shortstop to forego the final 2 years of his college eligibility.

Bart Shirley became the third last September when he scribbled his signature on a Los Angeles Dodger contract calling for \$60,000.

Back in 1950, Ben Tompkins grabbed a \$25,000 bonus after his sophomore campaign and only 3 years later Joe Tanner yielded to a pro offer of \$40,000.

Tabbed for the top fullback spot on the Longhorn football team last fall, Shirley decided to pass up the sport in favor of a career in pro baseball. The bundle of cash dealt him was the second largest ever paid out to a prospect in the state of Texas.

Reportedly the highest, according to Dodger Scout Hugh Alexander who landed Shirley, was \$100,000 given to an Austin schoolboy pitcher, Raymond Culp, by the Philadelphia Phillies 2 years ago.

Shirley's signing marked the end of a courtship by the pros which sprung to life when he was a high school junior at Corpus Christi, Tex. The 5-foot-10, 20-year-old athlete rapped .333 over the full 24-game season for Texas in 1960, including 8 doubles and 22 runs-batted-in.

His smooth fielding and rifle arm throws from deep shortstop swayed the pro scouts as much as his work with a bat. However, the brand of competition wasn't up to usual standards in the Southwest Conference last season.

So Shirley, right-handed hitter, proved his prowess in all departments while playing summer ball at Rapid City, South Dakota. He teamed with Second baseman Charlie Shoemaker of Arizona to form a vacuum cleaner-type double play combination.

At the plate Shirley swung for a healthy clip too. He fell below the .300 mark on the last week of the season after keeping his average above the high water mark for some 40 games.

"I understand Bart improved quite a bit in the field and at bat," his Texas coach, veteran Bibb Falk, said. Falk advised Shirley to grab the nearest pen when told the bonus figure.

In addition to Shirley, the entire Texas outfield — which composed the All-Southwest Conference team — also turned their talents to pro baseball.

Wayne McDonald, who tied for the conference homer title, and Roy Menge, the runs-batted-in champ, signed small bonus contracts with the Milwaukee Braves.

Jay Arnette, who was drafted by the Cincinnati Royals of the National Basketball Assn., instead agreed to a \$25,000 contract with Los Angeles — Shirley's employers.

Other Southwest area college players of note to join the pro ranks were Jimmy Williams, Southern Methodist third baseman who signed with Boston, and Catcher Bubba Wagner, whose homer for the University of Houston knocked Texas out of the NCAA playoffs. Wagner agreed to a Milwaukee pact.

Two players from Sam Houston State Teachers College signed with the pros. Pitcher Pat Centilli joined the Kansas City ranks and Third baseman Joe Campise signed with the San Francisco Giants.

Right now, Texas Coach Falk is keeping a wary eye on Billy Bethea, his upcoming sophomore shortstop. Bethea isn't regarded as being in Shirley's class as a hitter, but he does handle a glove with finesse.

And no one knows the history behind sophomore shortstops at the University of Texas better than Falk.

John G. Barry Takes Baseball Helm At MIT

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.—John G. (Jack) Barry, a former New York Giant farmhand, takes over as baseball boss at Massachusetts Institute of Technology this year.

Barry, a 1942 graduate of the University of Michigan, replaces Robert M. (Scotty) Whitelaw, who resigned after the 1960 season.

Barry spent last year as freshman baseball coach at MIT and his yearlings posted a 6-3 record. He also serves as varsity basketball coach.

Barry, who captained his university baseball team, has coached previously at Andrews Air Field (during the war) and Newport, N. H. and Methuen, Mass., high schools.

Louthen After Repeat

MUNCIE, Ind. — Ball State Coach Ray (Red) Louthen will be seeking a repeat of Indiana Collegiate Conference Coach-of-the-Year honors when his baseballers take the field this year.

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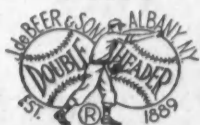
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The Schedule:

March 27—Lafayette vs. Yale, Amherst vs. Rollins. 28—Amherst vs. Lafayette, Yale vs. Rollins. 29—Yale vs. Amherst, Rollins vs. Lafayette. 30—Lafayette vs. Yale, Amherst vs. Rollins. 31—Amherst vs. Lafayette, Yale vs. Rollins. April 1—Yale vs. Amherst, Rollins vs. Lafayette.

Devils Card 47 Games

TEMPE, Ariz.—Coach Bobby Winkles' Arizona State University Sun Devils will play 47 games this season.

The Devils, ranked seventh last year by COLLEGIATE BASEBALL's national poll, will be seeking to unseat rival Arizona, third placer in the World Series, as Border Conference champion.

The 2 clubs have 4 games scheduled in late April and early May.

Other highlights of the Devil schedule are games with Big 10 teams Wisconsin (6) and Michigan (2).

The schedule:

March 4—New Mexico (2), here. 9—Grand Canyon College, here. 11—Pepperdine (2), here. 14—Grand Canyon, here. 17-18—Arizona State College, here. 20-21-22—Colorado State University, here (3 on 21st). 22—Utah State (2), here. 24-25—Utah, here (2 on 25th). 27-28-29-30—Wyoming, here. 31—Wisconsin, here. April 1-3-4—Wisconsin, here. 4—Michigan (N), here. 5—Wisconsin (D), Michigan (N), here. 6—Wisconsin (2), here. 7-8—Wisconsin, here. 14-15—Los Angeles State, here (2 on 15th). 18-19—L.A. State, here. 20-21-22—Cal Poly, here. 25-26-27—San Diego Marines, here. 28—Arizona (2), here. May 6—Arizona (2), here.

Football Flash Prefers Baseball

ANNAPOLIS, Md.—Joe Bellino, the fabulous football half-back for Navy, upset professional football bigwigs when he was quoted as saying that if he chooses a pro athletic career he will turn to baseball.

Bellino is a star baseballer for Navy as well as a grid star. In football he won almost every top honor this past season, taking All-American honors and the coveted Heisman Trophy.

Another collegiate All-American of 1960, Quarterback Jake Gibbs of Mississippi, also may turn to pro baseball instead of football. Gibbs also won All-American baseball honors in 1960.

Dedeaux' USC Trojans Rated CIBA's No. 1 Team

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Bears Win 4 Out Of 5 In Hawaii

But Balmy Breezes Lull USC, Fresno

By BOB LAW

BERKELEY—For 17 Californians, last June's extended week in Hawaii was a dream come true, none having been to Aloha-land previously.

George Wolfman's Golden Bears also did themselves proud on the diamonds around Honolulu, winning 4 of 5 games. Following similar schedules, Southern California, NCAA runnerup and co-champion of the California Intercollegiate Baseball Assn. with California, won 3 and Fresno State, 1959 NCAA third placer, won 2.

California later in the summer gained further consolation for the series loss to the Trojans that cost the Bears the shot at the NCAA tournament. A predominantly Southern Cal club was whaled by a team containing a half-dozen Bears, including Pitcher Bill Oakley, in the championship playoff of a Western Canada semi-pro league.

Playing 5 games in 6 days, California trimmed the Navy Submarine Fleet of the Pacific, 7-3; slaughtered the Pearl Harbor Admirals, 19-0; dropped a 2-0 decision to the Hawaii Marines; pulled out a banner night game with the leading civilian team, the Hawaii Braves, 9-7; and battered Barber's Point Naval Air Station, 11-2.

Adney Bowker, senior third baseman, belted 2 homers and drove in 7 runs against the Admirals. The trip gave Bowker sufficient games (23) to settle, with his .314 average, the team batting crown, which had been a tight 3-way race between soph Third baseman Kevin Scarpelli (.293), junior Catcher, Bob Milano (.293), and the all-District 8 first baseman, Noel Barnes (.275).

The Bears stayed loose for their games by swimming mornings at the beach. However, Coach Wolfman didn't permit the boys to engage in the more hazardous aquatic endeavors of surfing until their free second weekend.

There were about 5000 spectators for the Bear-Brave tilt, and more than 4000 for the opener with the Sub-Pac. The other military crowds were considerably smaller.

'Yankees Of The West' May Be Pressed By California Bears, Stanford Indians

By GEORGE WATSON

LOS ANGELES—Southern California's Trojans, the Yankees of the West, once again rate as the class of the California Intercollegiate Baseball Assn.

But Rod Dedeaux' club will have to watch its step because strong challenges will come from George Wolfman's California Bears and Dutch Fehring's Stanford Indians.

The Trojans finished second behind NCAA champion Minnesota last year and are loaded again this season as they seek their 15th CIBA crown in 16 years.

Dedeaux' 1960 team wasn't given much of a chance in pre-season ratings, but despite an inexperienced outfit, came through to tie California at 124 for the league pennant. Because they took 3-out-of-4 from the Bears during the regular season, the Trojans went on to the playoffs.

Even though USC chalked up a fine 44-16 mark last year, Trojan rooters are looking for an improvement in the won-and-lost column this spring.

For once, the club won't be missing a flock of players gobled up by the pros.

Cal, with 15 returning lettermen, and Stanford, with an experienced hurling corps, should make things plenty hot. Santa Clara and UCLA will be out of the running.

Leading USC will be all-CIBA Outfielders Art Ersepke (.326) and Bob Livingston (.314); all-league Infielders Tom Satriano (.318) and Willie Ryan (.350); and Pitchers Jim Withers (11-6, 2.38 ERA) and Ken Yaryan (6-3, 5.15).

All-CIBA Infielder Steve Bach (.237), who performed at second for the Cardinal and Gold in '60, will be moved to catcher since this originally was his best position. Bach had to give way to classy Bill Heath last season.

Besides Heath (.330), the Trojans lost Bruce Gardner, a dandy lefthanded hurler (18-2, 2.71 ERA). This twosome spearheaded much of the Trojan success, but the additional experience of younger SC players should make up the difference.

Withers, a string bean right-hander, is expected to take up the slack of the departure of Gardner.

Wolfman, whose '57 Cal team won the NCAA baseball championship, expects to give all comers a battle in the CIBA. Outstanding among the lettermen returning are Outfielder Bob Millich (.296) and Catcher Bob Milano (.357).

Pitching should be strong with veterans Bill Oakley, Ray Rohde, Ted Falk and Bob Ingebreton heading the staff.

Cal would undoubtedly have been stronger but 3 players from the '60 frosh club inked pro contracts: Bob Liggit with the Baltimore Orioles for \$40,000, Ken Dekker with the New York Yanks for \$25,000 and Dennis Cortis with the Yankees for \$15,000.

Despite the loss of this trio, Wolfman will still have a powerful outfit. Starting his 7th year at Berkeley, Wolfman will be shooting to improve on last year's overall 30-14 mark.

Stanford, with a 6-10 CIBA mark in '60, definitely should improve and press both Cal and SC for the top spot. Fehring has Outfielder Skip Lawrence, with a .360 average and 23 RBI, and Infielder Mike Magee, with a .355 mark and 15 RBI, heading a list of returnees.

Not to be overlooked is a trio of nifty hurlers. They are Jim Smith (5-5, 2.77 ERA), Marv Mecklenburg (8-8, 4.07 ERA) and Terry Lindeman (4-1, 4.43 ERA). Outfielder Hal Schutzman (.284, 13 RBI) will help, since both he and Mecklenburg made the all-CIBA team last year.

The outlook for Stanford and Fehring is good. Improvement on an overall 20-17 record last year is expected.

John (Paddy) Cottrell, who guided Santa Clara during the

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JC Baseballers Added To 'Dog Baseball Roster

FRESNO, Calif.—Coach Pete Beiden has picked up 7 highly-touted junior college baseball stars to bolster his 1961 Fresno State Bulldogs.

Tops among the group are 4 All-Central California Assn. picks. Outfielder Jerry Pritchett, Reedley JC, the league's No. 1 hitter, leads the way.

Others are First baseman Ron Schiller, College of the Sequoias, Infielder Pete Rodriguez, Porterville, and Pitcher Gene Graves, College of the Sequoias.

The remaining 3 were picked up in the southland and all are infielders—James Rodarte, Orange Coast, and James Wolfsburger and Ken Roberts, both of Cerritos.

1946-51 era, is returning to direct the Broncos this spring. Cottrell feels his task will be that of rebuilding, yet he expects to field a strong inner defense and have good strength behind the plate. His biggest headache is that of pitching with 4 hurlers gone from the 1960 team. Santa Clara was 6-10 in the league last year.

Even with the departure of the veteran pitchers, Paddy feels the slack will be taken up with Denny McGrath at first, Ned Brown behind the plate, Mickey McDermitt in the outfield and F. X. McLellan holding down second base.

Like Santa Clara, UCLA is rebuilding. Art Reichle, who has been on the Westwood scene for 19 years, expects to field an improved team this year. The Bruins finished in the basement last year with a 4-12 mark—so Art has no where to go but up.

Reichle tabs Centerfielder Tebbie Fowler as his best prospect. Fowler made all-CIBA last year, hitting .326 in the process. The veteran Westwood mentor feels the Bruins need a pair of pitchers and more power in the outfield and at first base to be a contender.

Reichle has 3 returning hurlers who are experienced. This will help the Bruins have a little more depth in that department. The twirlers are Howard Collins (4-6, 1.94 ERA), Dave Weiner (8-4, 2.41 ERA) and reliever Ron Bruckner (4-6, 2.75 ERA).

A brilliant JC transfer is Ezell Singleton. Last year at Citrus JC he whiffed 19 batters in 1 game. Besides hurling, Singleton also plays in the infield and outfield, so Reichle should find a spot for him.

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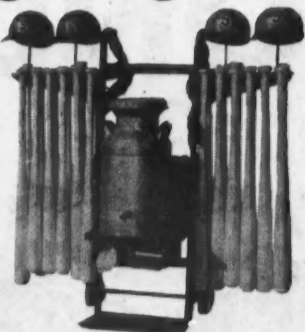
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To Baseballers Who Died In Crash

Cal Poly Dedicates 1961 Season

By GEORGE WATSON

SAN LUIS OBISPO—Although hearts are heavy with grief at Cal Poly of San Luis Obispo over the loss of 2 outstanding baseball players in the October air crash of the school's football team, the Mustangs will field a representative baseball team this spring.

Lost in the tragedy were veteran Infielders Curtis Hill and Wayne Sorenson. Two others, Pitcher Ted Tollner and Infielder Jerry Williams, survived, but suffered broken ankles. Whether Tollner or Williams will be ready this spring is a question mark.

"I'm certain we will field a team this spring which will be a representative club," Coach Bill Hicks stated.

"We have improved steadily the past 3 seasons. We have some good JC transfers, plus a pair of good frosh players who will be ready to help our team. Naturally, the loss and injuries will be sorely felt but we still have the personnel to field a representative team."

Although the football team canceled its remaining games after the tragedy that took 16 lives, the other athletic outfits



CURTIS HILL

are determined to carry on—and dedicate their seasons to their friends that have now departed.

Hicks was torn with grief over the death and injuries.

The popular and respected

coach expressed his feelings this way:

"Wayne Sorenson was our regular shortstop last year. He was an inspirational type player. Wayne was one of the finest young men I've ever known. He had exceptional speed.

"Curt Hill was as fine a baseball prospect as he was in football. He played third base for us in 1959 and then had to sit out last year with a broken arm, suffered in football. He was a fine fielder and a great RBI man. The 1959 team voted him our most valuable player. Curt was really looking forward to baseball this year. His loss is of a particularly personal nature as I also coached his brother, Willis, for 3 years."

In regards to Tollner and Williams:

"Tollner will play if his ankle responds to treatment. He could be our first starting pitcher, if his recovery is rapid enough. Ted was a sophomore last year and did a fine job for us. He won 3 and lost 5 and had an ERA of 3.29.



WAYNE SORENSON

"Williams was a frosh player last year and had a good season, hitting .450. Again the problem is how soon he will be able to play due to a broken ankle. He was a third baseman in high

school and also played there as a freshman. But with Hill returning we planned to move Jerry to first base. Now, due to the tragedy, things have changed. We were counting on Jerry to give us the power we need this spring."

A complete record of the deceased:

| Curt Hill, 2B | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| AB | R | H | TB | 2B | 3B | HR | SB | BB | SO |
| 119 | 59 | 27 | 34 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 8 | 1 | 8 |
| Wayne Sorenson, ss-3b | | | | | | | | | |
| AB | R | H | TB | 2B | 3B | HR | SB | BB | SO |
| 115 | 19 | 25 | 26 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 10 |

(Hicks considered Sorenson much better than his record shows. Had great speed.)

Record of those injured:

| Ted Tollner, pitcher | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|------|
| OP | CG | R | ER | H | SO | BB | HB | IP | ERA |
| 14 | 8 | 44 | 26 | 64 | 27 | 24 | 0 | 2 | 3.29 |

Jerry Williams, infielder

Hit .450 in 20 frosh games during the 1960 season.

Hicks says the players are now determined to have a good year in the honor of those athletes that have departed or are injured.

Torrid SCIAC Race Looming

LOS ANGELES—A 3-way fight for the '61 pennant figures in the SCIAC where Occidental, Redlands and Whittier are set to fight it out.

Redlands (13-2) is the defending champion, Oxy (11-4) finished second last year and Whittier and Claremont—Mudd finished tied for the show spot at 6-9.

Coach Lee Fulmer has strong balance in every department but pitching at Redlands. However, Pitcher Al Grove (7-4, 2.29 ERA), an all-SCIAC hurler, returns and this helps eliminate some of the problems.

In addition, Outfielder Paul McGibbons (.469) SCIAC batting champ, and all-SCIAC Shortstop Bill Wallace (.380) also are back for '61 action.

Oxy, will be exceptionally strong in the catching and pitching departments. Catcher Carl Riefler (.310) and Pitcher Bob Proctor (9-4, with 105 strikeouts in 104 innings of twirling) are the two some Coach Grant Dunlap is depending on for a good year.

Dunlap also figures that Oxy will be in the running for the loop pennant because of a solid infield spearheaded by Mel Melshelmer (.384).

Oxy chalked up an overall record of 17-8 and looks for improvement this season. Dunlap, who has been coaching at Oxy for 6 years, has produced 3 conference victors at Eagle Rock.

Whittier, with colorful and veteran Wallace (Chief) Newman at the helm, is an outfit with "2 good pitchers, an infielder and an outfielder" as its nucleus. Newman feels pitching is his big question mark.

The Chief adds: "Players from the frosh will make or break the varsity!"

Those players on whom Newman is stacking all the chips on are Captain Dennis Evans (.311), a fine third sacker, Flyhawk Greg Risko (.336) and Twirlers Harry Moran (7-1, 2.04 ERA) and Steve Jones (3-3, 4.16 ERA).

Claremont-Mudd, Pomona, and Cal Tech all look with optimism towards the '61 campaign—and any of them could prove to be the spoiler. (G.W.)

Anderson College Selects Erskine

ANDERSON, Ind. — Carl Erskine, former pitching star for the National League Dodgers, is the new head baseball coach of Anderson College.

The appointment of Erskine to the Anderson post was announced in mid-winter.

3 Big 10 Clubs Invade Arizona

TUCSON, Ariz. — Almost a third of the Big 10 Conference's baseball teams will be in Arizona at the same time this spring.

Iowa, Wisconsin and Michigan all will travel to Arizona for spring series.

The Big 10 teams are now scheduled for 17 games on their Arizona tour. Otto Vogel's Iowa Hawkeyes will play a 6-game series at Tucson with the University of Arizona. Art Mansfield's Wisconsin Badgers and Don Lund's Michigan Wolverines will play series at Tempe.

Pres Doubles As Ski Coach

SALT LAKE CITY — Can anybody match the dual coaching role of the University of Utah's Pres Summerhays?

Pres serves as both head baseball coach and head ski coach for the Utes.

Among Independents

CP, Waves Loom Strong

LOS ANGELES—Cal Poly of Pomona and Pepperdine College rank as the pre-season cream of the crop among independents and smaller league teams in the southern half of District 8.

Cal Poly, winner over Redlands, SCIAC champion, in the 1960 District 3 NAIA playoff, will field a veteran ball club.

In addition, CP will be tutored by a pair of outstanding collegiate coaches: Barney Anooshian and his new assistant, John Scolinos.

Anooshian was the guiding light last year as CP posted a 24-9 record. Scolinos guided Pepperdine to a No. 12 national ranking with a 33-12 record, but changed jobs after 15 years with the Waves.

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CB May Keep Weekly Statistics

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Under discussion is a plan to have all schools and conferences send weekly statistical releases on leading hitters and pitchers to COLLEGIATE BASEBALL for publication.

Trio To Battle For CCAA Flag

LOS ANGELES—A red-hot 3-way race is predicted in the California Collegiate Athletic Assn. race with defending champion San Diego State, Fresno State and Los Angeles State filling the roles of favorites.

Charlie Smith, the wily San Diego State coach, expects one of his better teams. Last season Smith wasn't given a chance to win, but his team sneaked through by upending Fresno State in a twin-bill to nail down the crown on the final day of play.

The "key" men of the hurling staff of '60 return this year. This means that Smith is one-step ahead of his opponents. The hurling corps consists of Tom Biscotti (8-4, 2.54 ERA), Bob Randolph (3-3, 2.91 ERA), Larry Thompson (7-1, 3.20 ERA) and Don Tenney (4-2, 3.98 ERA).

Plenty of punch will come from the bat of Outfielder Bob Moss (.343), who led the Aztecs last spring, and Centerfielder Dick Salomon (.340).

Pete Belden's 1961 edition of the Fresno Bulldogs (9-6 and 23-15) will feature 8 returning lettermen and a host of JC transfers and frosh players. Outstanding veteran is Infielder Bobby Paull (.346), who made the NCAA District 8 All-Star second team.

Other good vets are Flyhawk Augie Garrido (.393) and Pitcher Jerry McDonald (6-2, 3.42 ERA). Jim Reeder's LA State Diablos

were the surprise of the CCAA last year.

Reeder, starting his 7th season at LASC, figures that all-CCAA Second baseman Bob Lagunas (.388), all-CCAA Pitcher Doug Major (5-0, 2.30 ERA) and Outfielder Dave Griffith (.374) and Tom Townsen (.314) will spark the team.

Reeder's team finished second in the CCAA last year with a 10-5 record and a combined mark of 32-11.

A team that could surprise all is Long Beach State, tied for third last year, and rapidly rising in CCAA baseball standings in the past 2 seasons.

Dick Clegg, whose club had a 20-14 record in '60, will find all-CCAA First sacker Dick Nen (.291), Outfielder Tom Turrill (.283), Shortstop Gary Geagan (.270) and Pitchers Mike Hamilton (4-3, 5.42 ERA), Neal Hancock (4-2, 2.68 ERA) and Bill Florentine (2-0, 2.28 ERA) leading his team.

Naturally, 2-year all-CCAA Flyhawk Roger Hull (.392) will be hard to replace, but the overall depth of the coming '61 club at Long Beach will take up the slack.

Bill Hicks at Cal Poly (SLO) will greet 7 returning lettermen. His team was hit by the tragic airplane accident that took the lives of veterans Curtis Hill and Wayne Sorenson.

Despite the tragedy, Hicks should field a representative team. Ken Best (.275) is expected to lead a club that lost 10 games by 1 run last year.

Santa Barbara, 1960 cellar dweller with a record of 2-13, is expected to field an improved team this season. (G.W.)

Campbell Picked

MUNCIE, Ind. — Senior Dean Campbell, most valuable player for Ball State during 1960, has been elected captain of the 1961 Cardinals. Campbell did double duty for his club last year. He hit .395 as a third baseman and pitcher in 27 games. On the mound, he posted a 5-2 record with a 1.86 earned run average.



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